



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**Applicant(s):** Thomas P. Bishop, et al.

**Title:** METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR MANAGING A NETWORK WHILE PHYSICAL COMPONENTS ARE BEING PROVISIONED OR DE-PROVISIONED

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**AMENDMENT**

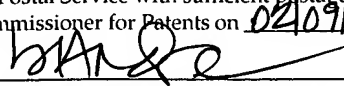
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